

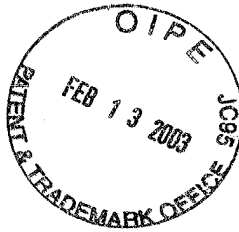
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

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**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action dated December 24, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please substitute the following paragraphs in the specification for corresponding paragraphs previously presented. A copy of the amended specification paragraphs showing current revisions is attached.

Please replace the paragraphs beginning at page 1, line 21, with the following rewritten paragraphs:

However, if a conduction abnormality such as cable disconnection or contact failure to a connection terminal occurs, the piezo-stack cannot be charged or

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